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In re the application of: Lee et al.

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For: In vitro Differentiation of Vascular Smooth

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Muscle Cells and Reagents Related Thereto

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Madam:

Applicants submit this Response and Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed on July 3, 2002 in the above-referenced application. A Petition for a three months extension of time is filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the application as follows.

In the claims:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(3), please replace claims 31 and 36-38 with claims 31 and 36-38 and add new claim 39 as set forth below. A marked-up version of the claims showing the changes made follows the remarks section of this response.

- (Twice Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein the culture conditions comprise a smooth muscle cell differentiation medium.
- (Amended) The method of claim 31, wherein the smooth cell differentiation medium 36. comprises 10% fetal bovine serum.

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